

NEW QUARTERS

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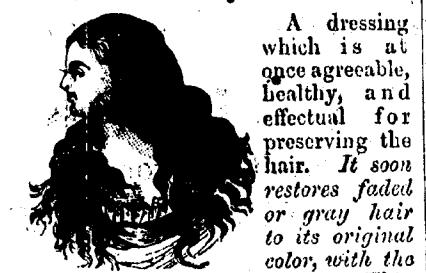
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INSURANCE,
REAL ESTATE

AND
Conveyancing Office.

Now on the corner E.
Main and Water Sts.—
Room recently occupied
by W. J. Brown,
Druggist.

October 23, 1874—dawn.

Ayer's
Hair Vigor,
For restoring to Gray Hair its
natural Vitality and Color.



A dressing which is at once agreeable, healthy, and effectual for preserving the hair. It soon restores faded or gray hair to its original color, with the gloss and freshness of youth. This hair is thickened, falling hair checked, and baldness often, though not always, cured by its use. Nothing can restore the hair where the follicles are destroyed, or the glands atrophied and decayed; but such as remain can be saved by this application, and stimulated into activity, so that a new growth of hair is produced. Instead of fouling the hair with a pasty sediment, it will keep it clean and vigorous. Its occasional use will prevent the hair from turning gray or falling off, and consequently prevent baldness. The restoration of vitality it gives to the scalp arrests and prevents the formation of dandruff, which is often so uncleanly and offensive. The from those deleterious substances which make some preparations dangerous and injurious to the hair, the Vigor can only benefit but not harm it. It wanted merely for a HAIR DRESSING, nothing else can be found so desirable. Containing neither oil nor dye, it does not soil white cambric, and yet lasts long on the hair, giving it a rich, glossy lustre, and a grateful perfume.

Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer, & Co.,
Practical and Analytical Chemists.
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Theo. Hildebrandt, Ag't
DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

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BUTCHERS
And dealers in

SMOKED and CURED MEATS
West Side Old Square.

FRESH MEATS!
In all kinds, always on hand. We kill
nothing but choice stock.

We have on hand a Choice Lot of

Sugar-Cured Hams!

Shoulders,
Breakfast Bacon, &c.,
Dried Beef,
Bologna Sausage, etc.

LARD

At WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

A full stock always on hand.

Decatur, April 10, 1874—dawn.

MASTER'S SALE.

Christian Kratz vs. Virginia Moon, et al.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN.

That by virtue of a decree rendered in the above entitled cause, in the Circuit Court of Macon County, Illinois, the undesignated will sell on the 21st day of December A. D. 1874,

between the hours of eleven A. M. and one P. M., in the County of Macon, Illinois, to the highest bidder, for public auction, one-half interest in real estate in the County of Macon and State of Illinois, to-wit: Forty-seven and one-half acres of land, situated in the west end of the town of Decatur, to-wit: commencing at the quarter section corner, on the west end of section line, containing two (2) townships and principal meadow; running home east along the quarter section line, thence to the south end of the same, thence south along the center of said railroad twenty-three chains and ninety-six links; thence north along the chain line, to the link to the west end of said section, thence north twenty-three chains and ninety-six links, to the place of beginning, containing 72.61 acres.

Sold premises will be sold subject to re-demption.

Date to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 10, 1874.

R. R. MERRIFIELD,
Master in Chancery for Macon Co., Ill.

Agents for Corineau & Sons,
Hannibal, Mo., newspaper
publishers—like it
a rare chance—particulars
will be published.

Editor, Publisher, Boston.

The Daily Republican.

VOL. 3.

DECATUR, ILL., SATURDAY, JAN. 2, 1875.

NO. 285.

NEW STORE! NEW GOODS!

WM. F. DONALDSON,

Having Opened a

VARIETY STORE

AT

NO. 10 MERCHANT STREET,

Invites the public to call and see his stock of
Toys, Fancy Articles, Books, Station-
ery, Willow Ware, Etc., Etc.

WILL SELL CHEAP FOR CASH.

October 14, 1874—dawn.

Rufus C. Crocker

NO. 9 WATER ST.

Hats on sale the Celebrated

SATISFACTION!

COOK STOVE.

Best in the World.



Also, a full line of

HARDWARE
OF ALL KINDS,

As Cheap as the Cheapest

Oct. 14—dawn.

WEED SEWING
MACHINE,

GRANGE PRICES,
GEO. P. HARDY, Ag't.

Dec. 12—dawn.

REPAIRING:

WATCHES,
CLOCKS
and
JEWELRY!

FOR SALE IN DECATUR BY

SNYDER & GUE,

10 North Water-
St.

May 10, 1874—dawn.

3250 A MONTH. Agents wanted for

Sample free Address J. BRONSON, Det-

roit, Mich.

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To Owners of Town or Farm

Property, in Decatur, Ill.

I am in search of some improved property

in the city of Decatur, Illinois, to

put up for public auction, one-half

interest in the County of Macon and

State of Illinois, to-wit: Forty-seven and

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DECATUR, ILLINOIS:
Saturday Evening, Jan. 2.

THE ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

This body will meet at Springfield, at 12 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday of next week. There is still much doubt existing as to who will be elected Speaker of the House. Yet it is almost universally admitted that the Hon. S. M. Cullom is the best qualified man for the position in the State, and it is very generally believed that he will be chosen for the position on that account. But in the Senate there is no member who stands so prominent as Mr. Cullom, and it is therefore much more difficult to predict who will be elected President of that body. But if the Independent Republicans choose to have at the recent election, and who previously acted with the Republican party, will vote with their old political associates, there is no doubt but a Republican will be selected as President of the Senate.

The question as to whether the session shall be a long or short one cannot be intelligently decided, except by the members themselves, and not even by them until some days after they come together, the advice of certain newspapers to the contrary notwithstanding.

POSTMASTER GENERAL JEWELL continues his war upon straw bids. He apparently understands how to carry on investigations. He refuses to award the contract for carrying the mails in Oregon to Ben Holliday & Co., notwithstanding the bid of that firm is the lowest. He declares that the price is too high, assuring that there is a ring formed to keep up the price, and that he will break it up if "the mauls of Oregon rot for a month." Senator Mitchell remonstrated with him, on the ground that the people will suffer a privation of news, but to no purpose. The threat of the contractors to discontinue the service, unless their terms are accepted, has no terrors for the Secretary. He will advertise a second time and see that honorable competitors are heard. Mr. Jewell is bound to have nothing to do with rings except to ring out the false, ring in the true.

The trial of the first case in which a prosecution has been instituted for sending seditious postal cards, concluded in New York last Thursday. Moses Chamberlain, who was accused of this offense, was found guilty and sentenced for six months. The law must properly make the punishment very heavy, and in this instance the defendant becomes liable to a fine of \$5,000 for each card and ten years' imprisonment, which, in this case, as there are fourteen indictments, would mean \$70,000 fine and 110 years' imprisonment. The minimum punishment is \$100 fine and one year's imprisonment, so that if sentence were moved for each indictment, a fourteen years' sentence would be the result. Friends who desire to write seditious and malicious things about their neighbors had better select some other medium of communication than anonymous or even signed postal cards.

Some of the railroads in this State have in operation the rule of selling round trip tickets between all the stations on their roads at reduced rates. The rule is as excellent one, and deserves imitation in favor of their local patrons. It ought to be in operation on all roads.

A CHINESE newspaper, published at Shanghai, is opposing vigorously the scheme for constructing railways in the empire. It asserts that the trains on railroads attain such a rate of speed that travel on them is unsafe, and adds, furthermore, that, as they "go even faster than a thoroughbred horse," people walking on the lines will have no time to get out of the way. These comments of the Shanghai newspaper are quoted in an English journal and made merry over, as they deserve, but there is one count in favor of the Chinese paper which the English journals fail to notice, namely, that it has only that what a famous English review did. When George Stephenson was struggling with public opinion, one of the most prominent of the English magazines said that a traveller might as well be fired at as have a rocket set to go at the rate of speed proposed by that engineer. The Chinese newspaper is ridiculous, but it is in possession of brick numbers of the English quarterlies, it would quote what it now produces originally.

THE HON. MR. SCHUMAKER.

From the Chicago Tribune, The Hon. Mr. Schumaker is a Democratic member of Congress from Brooklyn, who was re-elected last November. He is a wealthy merchant and a man who has been in good standing in the community in which he has lived. He was not a member of the Forty-second Congress which granted the Pacific Mail Subsidy. The subsidy was voted in the summer of 1872. Mr. Schumaker was elected in the fall of the same year. On the opposition that he received the \$275,000 at the same time Mr. King is thought to have received \$115,000, which seems to be pretty certain from the evidence given by the Pacific Mail accountants, the peculiar circumstance of his election shortly after affords room for interesting speculation. Was it the use of this money, or portions of it, which contributed to his election? Or was it the knowledge of his candidature and presumably intimate relations with Democratic Congressmen that induced the agent of the Pacific Mail to pay it to him? As Mr. Schumaker was not a member of Congress at the time, what was the purpose of giving him so large a proportion of the corruption fund? Was it confined to him to disburse among the Democratic Congressmen, and the other sum of \$115,000 confided to Mr. King to disburse among the Republican Congressmen? All these things must, of course, be mere matter of conjecture for the present; but the rapid progress which the committee has made thus far encourages us to believe that they will ascertain finally what became of the money intrusted to those two honorable gentlemen.

Some little time ago it was ascertained that brewers used "tobacco stems" in order to give "twang" to their beer. There is a brewers' war in Cincinnati at this time, one of the secrets revealed by a weak brother is that brewers make beer from corn instead of barley malt, and one of the facts connected with this corn beer is, that if not boiled down as soon as the beer jerker draws it, it becomes stale and unfit to drink. If the great German brewers make much further progress in the science of adulterating beer, they will soon have no followers to shout for "personal freedom." A sheet iron stomach and an armor plated liver and kidneys could not long resist the combined attack of tobacco juice and fusil oil. It looks as though the poor beer drunks had no rights if the latter class are not brought up with a sharp turn to do an honest business the latter class will have no object in life worth living for.

ALTHOUGH a court of justice has decided him to be a humbug of an exaggerated type, it is reported that the Tichborne claimant is still popular in England. There is nothing surprising in the fact, but there is food for reflection. "The great heart of the masses" is frequently referred to as an organ always beating warmly in sympathy with whatever is right and just, but is "the great heart of the masses" so reliable? As a matter of hard fact, public sympathy not infrequently goes with a scoundrel, and horny handed men get silly ideas into their heads. It is sad to admit such things in a great republic, but the same phenomenon that exists in England is not unknown in the United States. But who dare boldly say that the ignorant masses cannot govern themselves and the rest of the world?

This Lower House of the Louisiana Legislature is exactly divided between the Republicans and Democrats. The Democratic plan of securing a majority, by bribery or flattery, is the more fortunately feasible. With a Democratic majority in the Legislature, there will be no field of usefulness for the White League or for Gen. Sheridan. Grim-visaged war will smooth his wrinkled front, and invade Cuba to speak. The White League will disband. Jewett and Warmoth will go to some desolate spot, and perhaps move one or more disturbing elements from the City of New Orleans. And when everything is lovely, the stern moralist will examine into the causes of the prevailing contentment and prosperity, and he will find that the new era began with bribery and flattery,—two very potent, but not scrupulously nice, agents. The bold announcement of an intention to bribe and flatter colored voters is something new in American politics, and has an interesting bearing on the experiment of ignorant suffrage.—Chicago Tribune.

The Washington lobby is lost in admiration of Mr. Irwin's command of language. When Irwin was asked by the Wats and Means Committee to give the names of persons in whose hands he placed the Pacific Mail corruption fund, he refused to answer. But in order to soften the harshness of his contempt he explained that no money was paid to any person who was a member of either of both, the Forty-second and Forty-third Congresses. This was cautious language, indeed, and it is not known but the facts recently developed. Mr. Washington lobby is lost in admiration of Mr. Irwin's command of language. When Irwin was asked by the Wats and Means Committee to give the names of persons in whose hands he placed the Pacific Mail corruption fund, he refused to answer. But in order to soften the harshness of his contempt he explained that no money was paid to any person who was a member of either of both, the Forty-second and Forty-third Congresses. This was cautious language, indeed, and it is not known but the facts recently developed. Mr. Washington lobby is lost in admiration of Mr. Irwin's command of language. When Irwin was asked by the Wats and Means Committee to give the names of persons in whose hands he placed the Pacific Mail corruption fund, he refused to answer. But in order to soften the harshness of his contempt he explained that no money was paid to any person who was a member of either of both, the Forty-second and Forty-third Congresses. This was cautious language, indeed, and it is not known but the facts recently developed.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Dan Culp's new year's present was a bouncing boy—weight 10 pounds. The husband remarked to his wife, "we have nothing left, but our hands and feet." "Yes we have," remarked his wife, "I have a most ravenous appetite."—Chicago Tribune.

We once heard of a couple who were taking an inventory of what they had left after their property had been removed. The husband remarked to his wife, "we have nothing left, but our hands and feet." "Yes we have," remarked his wife, "I have a most ravenous appetite."—Chicago Tribune.

TELEGRAPHIC.

OSCAROLDS TO NEW YORK
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The following extract from the Daily Telegraph:

New Year's Day in Washington.

The President's Annual Hand Shaking.

PROGRESS OF THE PACIFIC MAIL SUBSIDY INVESTIGATION.

LATEST FROM NEW ORLEANS.

The Probable Complexion of the Legislature.

COLORADO EXCURSIONS.

GO WEST THROUGH ST. LOUIS.

During the summer season, the Missouri Pacific and Kansas Pacific Lines, via St. Louis and Kansas City, will sell Excursion Tickets from St. Louis to Denver and Return, good ninety days from date of sale, at extremely low rates, thus affording every one an excellent opportunity to visit the famous resorts of Colorado, among the beautiful Parks of the Rocky Mountains.

All who are seeking new homes or about to take a trip to Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Nebraska, Oregon, California, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, safe, quick and direct route by way of St. Louis, over the Missouri Pacific Through Line. It is equipped with fine Day Coaches, Buck's Receding Chair Cars, Pullman's Palace Sleepers, the famous Miller Safety Platform, and the celebrated Westinghouse Air-Brake, and runs its trains from St. Louis to principal points in the West without change. The Texas connection of this road is now completed, and points developed in evidence, have obtained much valuable information and many clues that will assist in discovering the party who handled the money.

There is considerable surprise on all sides over the developments in regard to both Senator Cole, and Brother in-law Whiting. Mr. Cole was chairman of the committee on appropriations which reported the subsidy bill after it had been defeated in the House. He will be summoned by the committee as soon as it is resumed its sessions here.

Irwin is at present in good health, and the intention is to have him before the bar of the House on Tuesday.

Indications are not as favorable to the passage of the new finance bill as they were when Congress adjourned. There is some talk of calling a caucus for Tuesday night for the purpose of trying to secure a full Republican vote for it.

NEW ORLEANS, January 1.—To day there are rumors of an intention to install McEnery and Potts and the other officers said to have been elected with them.

The Conservatives reiterate their assurance that there will be no trouble Monday when the Legislature meets.

The new movement therefore could only have reference to some subsequent act of the Legislature, which must first be organized by the Conservatives.

Everything is quiet just before the 14th of September massacre.

The organization of the House is still in doubt, but the latest advice shows that enough Republicans will be absent to give the Conservatives the control. It is said that Killogg and Casey are both aspiring to Pinhook's seat and endeavoring to prevent his admission by the Senate; but this is doubtful.

The Conservative members of the Legislature are all here and holding frequent secret caucuses.

Last night, Fabius McKay Dunn, the colored Assistant United States Appraiser, was walking quietly along on Canal street with another colored man, when two white men fired upon them without provocation. Mr. Dunn was hit in the side and fell. He died within a few moments. His companion was unharmed. The assassin after firing two shots fled. The Coroner found a verdict of death from a bullet fired by some one unknown. There never was one of the most prominent colored men in the State, and, as far as known, without an enemy. For several years previous to the last election he was chairman of the Republican Central Committee of the parish of Orleans, and came near being the nominee for Lieutenant Governor in the place of Penn in 1872. He strongly resembled Senator Blunt, upon whose life two attempts have been made. It is surmised that the intention was to kill this Republican Senator in order to reduce the majority, but that the assassin mistook their man. The Conservatives say that the whole affair was accidental, but there is little doubt that it was premeditated.

The Warmoth and Jewell duel seems to have ended, so far as the principals are concerned, on account of the willingness of Mr. Jewell to drop the matter, but it is said that Mr. Whitney who is Jewell's second, will not consent and insists upon fighting Warmoth himself, but Mr. Quintero, Warmoth's second, a splendid shot, wants Warmoth to stand aside and let him meet Whitney. The whole matter may eventually be settled without an exchange of shots.

The ladies at the St. Charles Hotel received callers in their rooms instead of in the parlors to-day, on account of the presence of many army and navy officers who were calling on Gen. Sheridan and the ladies of his staff officers. It was meant as an indignity towards General Sheridan and the officers of the army and navy.

The Congressional Committee have held two long sessions to day. Every

Republican witness testifies to intimidation, while every conservative or White Leaguer denies it. Testimony more contradictory was never heard. The attendance of the white element on the session increased. Every brilliant rally of Mr. Potter, of the committee, as special pleader for the Conservatives is applauded. His course is very different from that of Messrs. Foster and Phelps. A mass of contradictory evidence has been given to show that Republican members of the Legislature have been threatened and warned not to appear and take their seats. Several of the most prominent Conservatives, witnesses to-day, were participants, or alleged to have been such, in the Colfax or Louisville massacre. The committee have decided to close the testimony on Monday, but they will remain several days after the Legislature meets so as to check upon any contemplated recantation.

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Saturday Evening, Jan. 2.

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TODAY'S SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscriptions to the Daily Republican will be inserted every Saturday at the place where the paper is delivered, unless otherwise ordered.

We would be much obliged if our sub-
scribers would inform the carrier at what
particular place they desire their papers to
be left.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

A beautiful sun rise this morning.
Are you going to the pantomime?
Oysters by the gallon or quart at
Inboden's.

A considerable number of sleighs
were out today on our streets. The
sledding is not very good because of the
roughness of the roads.

Don't fail to see those beautiful dia-
etics on sale at I. J. Davis & Co.'s.

The city calaboose got a couple
more prisoners yesterday—two follows
who were guilty of a violation of the
city ordinances by getting drunk and
had no money to pay their fines.

Choice applies by the peck or bushel
at Niedermeyer's.

Things at the Wabash depot present
a lively appearance every noon, and
travel on this road and its branches has
not gone down much since the summer
months.

Kitchen salts pure Java coffee at
bottom figures.

A social ball at Samuel's Hall in the
fifth ward, last night, was well attended.
Dancing continued until 4 A. M.

Remember the sermon to-morrow
night at Stapp's Chapel, on "Popular
Amusements." All are invited.

Very superior cigars by the box or
single at Andy Kepler's.

The exquisite young Dash, with three
hairs in his moustache,

And a "glass in his eye"—the young
aristocrat.

On New Year's was so rash, as to drink
too much "sour mash."

And went home very "high" with a
"brick in his hat."

Mr. Martin P. Murphy entertained a
large number of guests at his house yes-
terday; among them his time-honored
agricultural friend, Farmer Coltrin.

Jack and the Beanstalk, at the op-
era house this evening

The carriers of the REPUBLICAN re-
turn thanks to their many kind patrons
for the liberal manner in which they
were remunerated on New Year's day.
May the new year bring with it rich
blessings for all, and may the annual
return of the New Year's day over find
all people in the enjoyment of health
and prosperity.

I. J. Davis & Co., have one of the
finest lots of gift books ever offered in
Decatur.

About 9 o'clock last evening snow
commenced falling, and continued dur-
ing most of the night, so that this morn-
ing about three inches lay upon the
ground. The high wind which prevailed
through the night distributed what
fell so unevenly that there will be no
good sledding, many places being left
nearly bare, while in others there is
enough for very good slipping.

Warm meals at all hours at Mc-
Creary's. Choice butter and fresh eggs
always on hand.

W. H. Reeme, the North Water
street grocer, keeps a full assortment of
choice groceries and provisions, and pays
the highest price for all kinds of pro-
duce. People living in that part of the
city and all others, will find this a con-
venient and profitable place to trade.

Early this morning two large objects,
which, in the distance, looked like a
giant pair of snow plows, were seen com-
ing down the side walk on Water street.

A general impression prevailed among
the people in the business part of the
city that the council were having the
snow removed from the side walks.
Mr. Harvey Mahannah, who was quietly
pursuing his way up town, was the in-
nocent cause of this mistake.

Mr. John Ullrich has established an
exclusively wholesale grocery house
since his retirement from the retail
trade. His business house is a large
two-story building, on East Main street.
It is occupied from the basement up
with goods, although the stock is not
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Guo's, Druggists, successors to J. S.
Hand & Co. Dec 29th

Gent's Neck Wear, Latest styles and
colors, at RACE & CO's

Silk Handkerchiefs, at RACE & CO's

NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Doings About Town.

So far as weather was concerned the
first day of the new year was anything
but agreeable. Throughout the day
the sky was overcast with dark clouds,
and a damp, chilling breeze prevailed,
accompanied a part of the time with
mist and sleet. This condition of affairs
induced people to stay in doors more
closely than they would have done had
the weather been agreeable; consequently
few people were on the streets and
the day seemed very dull.

There was no general suspension of
business, though the banks were closed
and the post office shut up at ten o'clock
for the day. Some of the mercantile
houses closed for a part of the day, and
others kept open all the while. There
having been no previous arrangement
between tradesmen in regard to the
matter of closing, every man acted his
pleasure in the matter.

The usual number of persons went
calling and were cordially received by
their friends.

Quite a number of young men who
seem to entertain the idea that a holiday
is not well spent without getting drunk,
made fools of themselves by imbibing
benzine and went staggering about the
streets in a state of beastly intoxication,
conducting themselves in a manner to
disgust all decent people. All such de-
served to be kicked out of every decent
place at which they called.

So far as entertainments were concerned
there was nothing of a public kind. The
Concordia had a hop at their rooms
which was well attended by the club and
some of their friends. The affair was a
very agreeable one.

The A. C. Club, gave a social par-
ty and dance at Charlie Cornet's res-
idence, corner of Jackson and North
streets. The invitations were confined
to the members of the club and a few
particular friends, consequently the par-
ty was select in its make up, and a most
agreeable time was enjoyed. At a prop-
er time a collation was served comprising
a variety of delicacies, which indicated the
best of taste on the part of the host.

The party broke up at a reasonable
hour, and all retired feeling the occasion
was one of the most enjoyable in which
they had ever participated.

In addition to the gatherings already
noticed, there was the usual number of
invitations to dinner interchanged be-
tween neighbors and friends.

On the whole, though the day was
dark and gloomy, it was quite pleasantly
spent by those who were disposed to en-
joy it in a sensible way. There were,
of course, hearts that were sad in view
of changes in the circles of their friends,
occasioned by the visitations of death
during the year. In consideration of
these sad experiences which have come
so many since the dawn of 1874, it may
be well for all to start out in the new
year with hopes and expectations prop-
erly moderated by the conviction that
1875 will be like its predecessors in the
matters of sickness, death, and dis-
appointment, and those households which
have been overlooked by the death angel
during the year just closed, may be the
first to be darkened by the shadow of
his wing this year.

However this may be, let all start out
with good resolve to, use blessings to
the best purpose, and profit by whatever
affliction may fall to their lot.

Lubin's Patchouly at
23-ft SNYDER & GULF

A Speck of War sprung up yesterday
between the hands employed by a couple
of ice men over their privileges and
places for cutting ice in the river. For
some time a serious fight was threatened
between the angry workmen, but at last
the trouble was amicably settled, and
work was re-commenced by the men
without any more ill feeling towards
each other.

Very Successful.—The festival, given
by the ladies of the Christian Church at
Harrison's, last evening, was an im-
mense success the net proceeds amounting
to over \$275.

Linen Collars, every style, at

RACE'S

E. Pratt & Son, grateful for the
liberal patronage of the past, greet their
customers with a happy new year, and
would inform them that they are still
making men's fine-hand-sewed shoes to measure.

Largest Stock of Blank Books, at
LITSINSBERGER & SUTTON's
2 d3d

POLICE NEWS.

Last night Tommy Welch, and John
O'Connor, two old offenders, were taken
before Esq. Hughes to answer the charge
of intoxication. They plead guilty, and
said they had no money to pay the fine
of \$3 and trimmings which the Square
assessed. They were sent to the cala-
boose to remain there confined until the
amount of fine and costs should be paid.

Wanted.—A good house with not less
than five rooms, with a good stable. Such
a property will find a first class
tenant by applying to J. Leforge & Co.
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DON'T Forget the Diamond Shirt, at

RACE'S

Powers, Ferriss & Co. have received
a splendid lot of Burt's Men's Shoes and
Over-gaiters. They are also making
men's fine-hand-sewed shoes to measure.

Four Evils.—Whoever habitually uses
any alcoholic preparations as an "appa-
petizer" will be likely to suffer from four
evils, viz.: an overplus of food in the
stomach, impaired ability to digest it,
the pangs of dyspepsia, and a doctor's bill.
Dr. WALKER'S VEGETABLE VINE-
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ative of the age, without over-stimula-
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2 d3d

The Question Answered.—How Linn-
Scrudds employ so many salesmen and
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THE ROAD TO HEALTH.

Cleanse the stomach, bowels and
blood, from all the acrid, corrupt and of-
fensive accumulations which produce
functional derangement, and you re-
move the cause of most diseases which
afflict the human family, and thus save
the doctor's bill. The most effectual
and reliable remedy for this purpose is
found in Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative
Pellets. No cheap wood or paper boxes,
but kept fresh and reliable in vials.

High living, those indulging in ease
and pleasure, and those of sedentary
occupations, are the chief causes of
most diseases. Boil, Cut, Rub, Draw,
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such habits, by taking from four to six
of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pel-
lets once a week, or better still, one or
two each night. They are sold by deal-
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Pike, the Jeweler, keeps the best
spectacles in the city, and sells them at
a reasonable price. 15c-1dpm

Silk Handkerchiefs, at RACE & CO's

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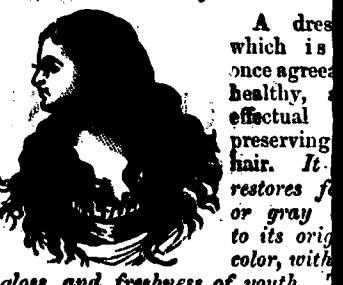
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A dress which is once agreed

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Decatur, April 10, 1874-d.

MASTER'S SALE

Christian Knits vs Virginia Moon

PROCLAMATION NOTICE IS HEREBY G

That by virtue of a decree issued

in the circuit court within and for the county

of Macon and state of Illinois, the under-

signed will sell on

Saturday, the 9th day of Janua

ry, A. D. 1874.

At the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and sun-

set at the residence of the undersigned, in

the city of Decatur, Illinois, at public auction, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, to-wit:

The northeast quarter of the northwest

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